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PRIORITY [REDACTED]

IDEALIST [REDACTED]

SCOPE SAINT III OPERATIONS PLAN

1. PROJ HQS PLANS TO CONDUCT A FAST MOVE PHASE I DEPLOYMENT EXERCISE OF A DETACHMENT G U-2R AND NECESSARY SUPPORTING EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL TO THE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CURRENT PLANS CALL FOR THE DEPLOYMENT EXERCISE TO BE CONDUCTED DURING <sup>19-29</sup>~~12-23~~ OCTOBER 1969. UNCLASSIFIED NICKNAME FOR THIS EXERCISE WILL BE SCOPE SAINT III, ALL MESSAGE TRAFFIC AND CORRESPONDENCE PERTAINING TO THIS EXERCISE WILL BE SLUGGED "SCOPE SAINT III".

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE EXERCISE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. CONTINUE IMPROVEMENT OF THE IDEALIST [REDACTED] CAPABILITY TO RESPOND TO FUTURE RECONNAISSANCE REQUIREMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA AND EUROPE.

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B. PROMOTE CONTROLLED EXPOSURE OF [REDACTED] IN U-2 OPERATIONS. [REDACTED] WILL INCLUDE ENTIRE [REDACTED] CONTINGENT.)

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3. THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS ARE

## PLANNED FOR THIS EXERCISE:

A. ONE U-2R AIRCRAFT.

B. B-2 CAMERA SYSTEM.

C. STANDARD OPERATIONAL [REDACTED] SPECIAL EQUIPMENTS.

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D. SIMULATED WEATHER PACKAGE.

4. THE TOTAL DURATION OF THE EXERCISE IS ANTICIPATED TO BE APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN DAYS. (EDWARDS TO EDWARDS). CURRENT ADVANCE PLANS PREPARED BY THE [REDACTED] INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

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A. SUNDAY <sup>19</sup>~~12~~ OCT 69 - C-141 ARRIVES EDWARDS AFB.

B. MONDAY <sup>20</sup>~~13~~ OCT 69/1900Z - SUPPORT AIRLIFT (ONE C-141) DEPARTS EDWARDS WITH DEPLOYING DETACHMENT PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FOR [REDACTED] MINIMUM GROUND TIME TO BE USED DURING REQUIRED ENROUTE REFUELING STOPS. (FOR THIS EXERCISE, PROJ HQS PLANS ON THREE HOUR MAXIMUM GROUND TIME FOR C-141 ACFT.)

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C. TUESDAY <sup>21</sup>~~14~~ OCT 69/1800Z - C-141 ARRIVES [REDACTED] PREPARATION TO RECEIVE U-2R BEGINS. C-141 RELEASED.

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D. WEDNESDAY <sup>22</sup>~~15~~ OCT 69/0200Z - U-2R DEPARTS EDWARDS

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FOR [ ] SORTIE TO BE FLOWN SINGLE SHIP ON  
NORMAL FLIGHT PLAN (175).

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E. WEDNESDAY <sup>22</sup> 15 OCT 69/1430Z - U-2R ARRIVES [ ]

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F. AS MANY AS TWO TRAINING MISSIONS ARE TO BE CONDUCTED  
on 23/24 OCT; BACK-UP DATES ARE 25/26 OCT; TAKE  
DURING DEPLOYMENT TO [ ]. DATES FOR THESE MISSIONS  
OFF PLANNED FOR 1000Z,  
TO BE DETERMINED CONSISTENT WITH OPERATIONAL WEATHER

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FORECAST.

Monday 27 OCT 69/1700Z  
G. WEDNESDAY 22 OCT 69/1700Z - C-141 ARRIVES [ ]

Tuesday 28 OCT  
H. THURSDAY 23 OCT 69/0800Z - U-2R DEPARTS [ ]

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FOR EDWARDS AFB, SORTIE TO BE FLOWN SINGLE SHIP ON NORMAL  
FLIGHT PLAN (175).

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Tuesday 28 OCT  
I. THURSDAY 23 OCT 69/2000Z - C-141 DEPARTS [ ]

Tuesday 28 OCT  
J. THURSDAY 23 OCT 69/2100Z - U-2R ARRIVES EDWARDS AFB.

Wed 29 OCT  
K. FRIDAY 24 OCT 69/1100Z - C-141 ARRIVES EDWARDS AFB.

C-141 RELEASED SUBSEQUENT TO OFFLOAD.

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5. PRE-POSITIONING OF REQUIRED JPTS-FUEL AT [ ] IS  
AUTHORIZED. AT LEAST TWO C-130 SORTIES FROM [ ] TO  
[ ] ARE ANTICIPATED DURING THE U-2R DEPLOYMENT EXERCISE  
PERIOD.

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6. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, ALL U-2R SORTIES FLOWN AS A PART

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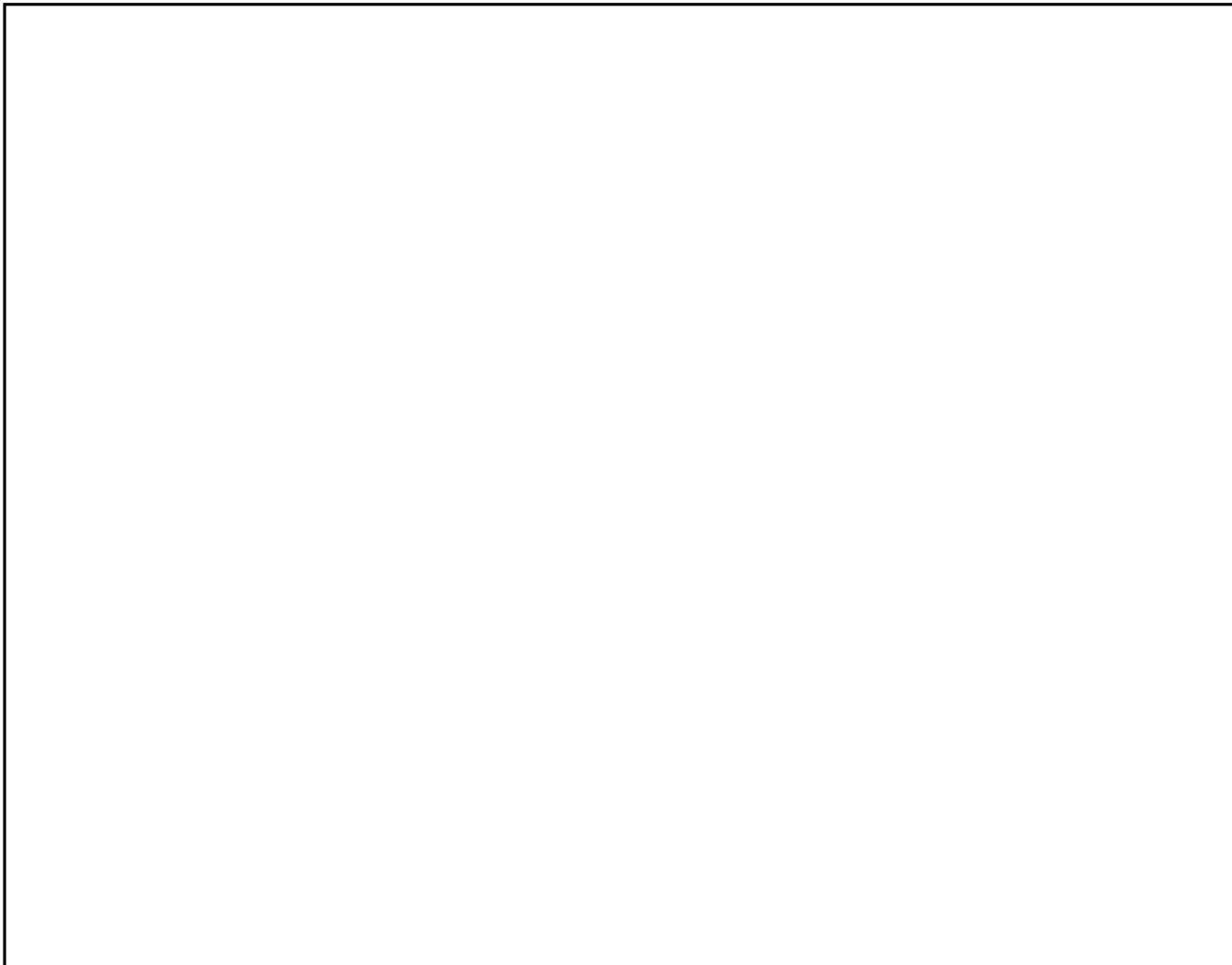
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OF THIS EXERCISE (INCLUDES FERRY FLIGHTS) WILL BE LFOWN BY

PROJ HGS WILL WAIVE THIS REQUIREMENT ON AN

"AS NEEDED BASIS" ONLY.

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PILOT FAMILIARIZATION IN US AIRCRAFT.

A. THE FOLLOWING GENERAL GUIDELINES WILL BE FOLLOWED TO IMPLEMENT THE COVER PLAN:

(1) THE U-2R WILL CARRY PHOTOGRAPHIC AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT ON THE SIMULATED OPERATIONAL MISSION TRAINING SORTIES FLOWN FROM [ ] THE B-2 CAMERA PACKAGE WITHOUT FILM WILL BE INSTALLED FOR THE U-2R DEPLOYMENT AND REDEPLOYMENT FERRY FLIGHTS.

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(2) USAF MARKINGS WILL BE PAINTED ON THE U-2R. THE MARKINGS WILL BE THE SMALL TYPE USED ON SCOPE SAINT I AND II. ALL OF THE U-2R FLIGHTS WILL BE FILED ON NORMAL (OVERT) FLIGHT PLANS AS A USAF WU-2 OUT OF EDWARDS AFB.

8. ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC TAKE WILL BE PROCESSED BY THE [ ] FACILITY. [ ] ELINT TAPES WILL BE RETURNED WITH THE DETACHMENT AND WILL THEN GO THROUGH NORMAL PROCESSING CHANNELS.

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9. PLEASE ADVISE NLT COB 8 SEPTEMBER 69 CONCERNING DETACHMENT ABILITY TO DEPLOY U-2R AND SUPPORTING EQUIPMENTS AND PERSONNEL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PLAN (COMMENTS INVITED). FYI, PROJ HQS PLANS TO TASK [ ] WITH FOLLOWING EXERCISE SUPPORT AIRLIFT REQUIREMENT: ONE MAC C-141 ACFT FOR DEPLOYMENT AND REDEPLOYMENT, (GROUND TIME PLANNING FACTORS TO BE APPLIED); C-130 AIRCRAFT TO BE AVAILABLE FOR FUEL TRANSPORT, TAKE TRANSPORT, AND CONTINGENCY RECOVERY AIRLIFT DURING U-2 OPERATIONS AT [ ]

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